

REMARKS

Claims 2-21 remain in this application. Claims 2-21 are rejected. Claims 15, 16, 20 and 21 are amended herein to clarify the invention.

Applicant herein traverses and respectfully requests reconsideration of the rejection of the claims cited in the above-referenced Office Action.

Claims 1-21 are rejected as obvious over Sagawa et al. (EP 0,903,169 A2) in view of Kosugi et al. (US 5,229,756) under 35 U.S.C. §103(a). The applicant herein respectfully traverses this rejection.

The applicant and applicant's attorney appreciate the Examiner's granting of the telephone interviews conducted respectively on September 8, 9 and 10, 2003, and extend their thanks to the Examiner for his time and consideration. In advance of each interview, applicant presented proposed claim language prepared in light of the immediately preceding interview. In the final of these interviews, agreement was reached regarding claim language deemed to define over the art of record, and wherein the sensor is recited as being moved, in its entirety, from a first location to a second location by movement of the signal generating device retained by the game player, and wherein the change in velocity is measured as a difference between a first velocity of the sensor when at the first location and a second velocity at the second location. Proposed amended claim 21, which is submitted herewith, and which incorporates this feature, was presented to the Examiner, and the Examiner indicated

that the claim clearly defines over the cited art, and in particular the Kosugi et al. reference, in which an entirety of the sensor is not moved from one location to another to measure a change in velocity from one location to another.

All other pending independent claims 15, 16 and 20 are amended to incorporate similar recitations to that of approved claim 21 in its amended form.

Therefore, based upon the foregoing, claims 2-21 in their present form are not obvious over the cited art of record, and reconsideration of the rejections of claims 2-21 and their allowance are respectfully requested.

In light of the foregoing, the application is now believed to be in proper form for allowance of all claims and notice to that effect is earnestly solicited. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 10-1250.

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